

Claims:

1. Top dyeing self-inking stamp comprising a bottom section to be placed on a surface to be stamped, an ink pad arranged within a container insertable
5 for replacement into a receiving shaft, a flipping mechanism for a stamp platen arranged in the bottom section for reciprocal pivotal movement between the ink pad and a support frame and an actuator upper section moveable against the bias of a spring relative to the bottom section, characterized by the fact that the ink pad container (3) is provided at its upper
10 surface with at least one groove (7) extending in the direction of insertion for form-fitting engagement by a rib (9) arranged at the upper surface of the receiving shaft (8).
2. Self-inking stamp of claim 1, characterized by the fact that there are
15 provided several grooves (7) and preferably also several ribs (9) appropriately spaced relative to each other.
3. Self-inking stamp of claim 1 or 2, characterized by the fact that the rib or ribs (9) extend only over a portion of the insertion length of the ink pad
20 container (3).
4. Self-inking stamp of one of claims 1 to 3, characterized by the fact that the groove or grooves (7) and the rib or ribs (9) are of substantially semi-circular cross-section.

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